

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Please cancel Claims 36, 45 and 53, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-33 – (canceled)

34. (previously presented) A method of manufacturing recloseable packages, said method comprising:

providing a first wall panel opposing a second wall panel;

positioning a zipper between said first and second wall panels, said zipper including a first track with a first profile and a second track with a second profile, said first and second profiles being releasably engageable to each other, and a slider slidably mounted to said zipper for movement between a closed position and an open position, said first and second profiles being engaged to each other while said slider is in said closed position, said first and second profiles being disengaged from each other in response to movement of said slider from said closed position to said open position;

adhering said first profile of said zipper to said first wall panel;

forming first and second spaced side seals in said first and second wall panels to define first and second sidewalls of said package;

adhering said second profile of said zipper to said second wall panel; and

cutting said side seals to separate adjacent packages.

35. (previously presented) The method of claim 34 further including a step of feeding a zipper arrangement between said first and second wall panels before positioning said zipper, said zipper arrangement comprising a plurality of said zippers connected in line with each other.

Claim 36 – (canceled)

37. (previously presented) The method of claim 34 further including a step of filling said package with a product.

38. (previously presented) The method of claim 34 wherein said first and second wall panels are provided by folding a web of material.

39. (previously presented) The method of claim 34 wherein said zipper is positioned at a mouth of said first and second wall panels.

40. (previously presented) The method of claim 39 further including a step of filling said package with a product before adhering said second profile to said second wall panel.

41. (previously presented) The method of claim 34 wherein said zipper is positioned below and adjacent a mouth of said first and second wall panels.

42. (previously presented) The method of claim 41 further including a step of filling said package with a product before adhering said second profile to said second wall panel.

43. (previously presented) The method of claim 34 wherein said zipper is positioned at a bottom of said first and second wall panels.

44. (previously presented) The method of claim 43 further including a step of filling said package with a product after adhering said first profile to said first wall panel and after adhering said second profile to said second wall panel.

Claim 45 – (canceled)

46. (previously presented) The method of claim 34 wherein said zipper has a tamper resistant element.

47. (previously presented) The method of claim 34 further including a step of mounting said slider onto said zipper.

48. (previously presented) The method of claim 47 wherein said slider is mounted onto said zipper after said first profile of said zipper is adhered to said first wall panel.

49. (previously presented) The method of claim 47 wherein said slider is mounted onto said

zipper after said first profile of said zipper is adhered to said first wall panel and said second profile is adhered to said second wall panel.

50. (previously presented) A method of placing a product in recloseable packages, said method comprising:

providing a first wall panel opposing a second wall panel;

positioning a zipper at a predetermined orientation, said zipper including a first track with a first profile and a second track with a second profile, said first and second profiles being releasably engageable to each other;

mounting a slider onto said zipper, said slider slidably mounted to said zipper for movement between a closed position and an open position, said first and second profiles being engaged to each other while said slider is in said closed position, said first and second profiles being disengaged from each other in response to movement of said slider from said closed position to said open position;

adhering said first profile of said zipper to said first wall panel;

forming first and second spaced side seals in said first and second wall panels to define first and second sidewalls of said package;

filling said package with a product; and

adhering said second profile of said zipper to said second wall panel.

51. (previously presented) The method of claim 50 further including a step of feeding a zipper arrangement between said first and second wall panels before positioning said zipper, said zipper arrangement comprising a plurality of said zippers connected in line with each other.

52. (previously presented) The method of claim 51 wherein said zipper arrangement includes a plurality of sliders slidably mounted to said zipper.

Claim 53 – (canceled)

54. (previously presented) The method of claim 50 further including a step of cutting said side seals to separate adjacent packages.

55. (previously presented) The method of claim 50 wherein said first and second wall panels are provided by folding a web of material.

56. (previously presented) The method of claim 50 wherein said zipper is positioned at a mouth of said first and second wall panels.

57. (previously presented) The method of claim 56 wherein said package is filled with a product before adhering said second profile to said second wall panel.

58. (previously presented) The method of claim 50 wherein said zipper is positioned below and adjacent a mouth of said first and second wall panels.

59. (previously presented) The method of claim 58 wherein said package is filled with a product before adhering said second profile to said second wall panel.

60. (previously presented) The method of claim 50 wherein said zipper has a tamper resistant element.

Claims 61-74 – (canceled)